

Abstract

The present invention relates to systems and methods for providing products and services to an industry marketplace. The systems and methods of the present invention integrate services that are currently provided by multiple entities into a system that may be advantageously provided by a single entity to facilitate the buying and selling of products and services. An embodiment of the present invention as a site on the world wide web provides a consumer, such as a manufacturer, with an efficient method of shopping for a product by integrating, for example, product specifications, availability, ordering, shipment and delivery. An embodiment of the systems and methods of the present invention are particularly advantageous for use in providing products and services to the chemical industry, specifically the paint and coatings and the adhesives and sealants segments of the chemical industry.

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